



By the King.

A Proclamation for repeale of certaine Letters
Patents, Commissions, and Proclamations, concerning
Innes, Ale-houses, and the Manufacture of
Gold and Siluer Threed.



Hereas the Kings most Excellent Maiestie, by sundry Letters Patents, Commissions, and Proclamations heere-
tofore made and published, gaue severall directions, aswell
touching the Licensing of Innes and Hosteries, as touching
the ordering of Alehouse-keepers, and leuying the forfeitures
of their Recognizances, and likewise touching the setting of a
Manufacture of Gold and Siluer Threed within this King-
dome; In all which, his Maiesties intentions were no other
but the increase of profitable Arts and Inventions, the re-
pressing of vice and disorder, and reformation of sundry enor-
mities and abuses: yet by the fraud and abuse of some persons, who with much confi-
dence and assurance undertooke to his Maiesty, to manage and execute the said Patents,
Proclamations, and Commissions, for his Maiesties honour, and the good of the publike;
the same have bene perverted, to the disturbance of the Justice of the Realme, affront to
Justices of Assise, and Justices of the Peace, and to the great damage, hurt, and oppressi-
on of many of his Maiesties Subiects; which abuses were altogether unknowne to his
most Excellent Maiestie, untill they were discovered by the complaint of the Commons
in this present Parliament, which (had they sooner come to his Maiesties knowledge) he
would have punished with all severitie. His Maiestie out of his tender zeale and af-
fection which he beareth to all his loving Subiects, being well pleased with that exampla-
rie course of Justice, which to his singuler contentment, hath bene already begun in his
high Court of Parliament, against some of the principall offenders; and to the end that
all his loving Subiects, might see how much his care and zeale is to give remedy to any
thing that is found hurtfull to the Common-Weale of his people; hath been pleased of his
aboundant goodnesse, to put his owne Royall hand and Princely care, to the speedy and
utter abolishing of all that euill, which might heereafter spring from those rootes.

And therefore doth hereby declare and publish, that it is his expresse Will and pleasure, That all the sayd Letters Patents, Commissions, and Proclamations beforementioned, be forthwith renoked. And doth further hereby streightly charge and command, That no person or persons, doe hereafter presume to put in execution the foresayd Letters Patents, Proclamations or Commissions, or any of them, or any Article or thing in them or any of them conteyned. And his further pleasure is, That all Innes, hosteries and Alehouses, and the severall Inne-keepers and Alehouse-keepers thereof, shalbe governed, ordered and bled in all points as they should have beene, if the sayd Letters Patents, Commissions and Proclamations had not beene made. And that all Recognizances of Alehouse-keepers shalbe proceeded with, in the same plight, manner and forme, and none other, then as they should have beene if the sayd Letters Patents and Proclamations concerning the same, had not beene made. And whereas sundrie Alehouse-keepers, being by order of the Justices of Assise, and Justices of Peace, put downe and suppressed from keeping Victualling houses, did after by collour of the sayd Letters Patents, and Commissions for Licenssing of Innes and hosteries, obteyne Licences from or by meanes of the sayd Patenters, to keepe Innes or hosteries, His Maiesties further pleasure and commandement is, that all such Innes so abusively erected, and all other Innes lycensed and set vp by force or collour of the foresayd Letters Patents in vnfit places, or by persons of euill fame, bee forthwith suppressed. And his Maiestie doth hereby require, command, and authorize his Justices of Assise, and Justices of Peace within the severall Countiees and places of this Kingdome, to take order for the suppressing thereof accordingly, and to take further order, that the severall Licences so vnduely granted, be deliuered to the Clerke of Assise, or Clerke of the Peace in open Assises or Sessions, there to remaine vntill further order may bee taken for the absolute cancellation and anoyding of the same. And his Highnesse further pleasure is, in regard of the sayd abuses, That no rent, or summe of money due or pretended to bee due for, or in respect of any such Licence, for setting vp of any Inne or hostery, bee at any time hereafter leuied, receiued or demaunded; But that all assurances for payment thereof bee discharged.

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God saue the King.

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